GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

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ASSISTANCE TO KARNATAKA FOR IRRIGATION PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Karnataka has requested the Union Government for financial assistance to complete all irrigation projects;

(b) if so, whether the State Government has asked for Rs. 25,000 crores over the next five years to complete the projects under Krishna Nirvani river and also Rs. 5, 000 crores for repair and modernisation of Krishnarajasagar Dam on Cauvery River;

(c) if so, whether the Government has agreed to assist the State Government; and

(d) if so, the total amount provided by the Union Government to the State Government for the purpose?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) to (d) No proposal for financial assistance to complete all irrigation projects has been received in the Central Government from the Government of Karnataka. However, the Central Government has been providing Central Loan Assistance (CLA) under Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP) for accelerating completion of 8 ongoing major/medium irrigation projects from 1996-97 and an amount of Rs. 2111.79 crore has been provided upto 15th March, 2005. Out of these 8 projects one project has already been completed with the CLA provided under AIBP.